# **Minutes**

# Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy Board Meeting

Monday Feb 25, 2013 @ 5:00 PM at 7 Fatima Drive Cumberland, RI

#### **Board Members Present**

K. Vaudreuil, J. Diossa, D. McKee, J. Casimiro

#### **Board Members Absent**

J. Almond, J. Morton, P. Carey, S. Noris

#### **Guests Present**

J. Chiappetta, D. Allsopp, Drew Allsopp, S. Cuello, L. McEwen, Mike DeMatteo, K. Crowe, D. Lauck, D. Waugh

# I. Opening Items

# **Call the Meeting to Order**

D. McKee called a meeting of the board of trustees of Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy to order on Monday Feb 25, 2013 @ 5:05 PM at 7 Fatima Drive Cumberland, RI.

# **Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting**

- J. Casimiro made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 02-04-13.
- K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Diossa Nay: None.

#### **Board Chair Remarks**

D. McKee officially welcomed James A. Diossa as a new board member.

# II. Consent Agenda

### **Executive Director Report**

- J. Chiappetta stated that our NECAP results were impressive, even though we believe that we still have work to do. We are very proud of all the hard work our teachers and scholars did. J. Chiappetta reminded everyone that next week is our charter renewal visit. This will determine if we get to keep our doors open. J. Casimiro made a motion to accept consent agenda.
- K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Diossa Nay: None.

#### **Financial Update**

D. Lauck stated at a high level that our revenue continues to meet our budget for the year. BVP Has two months cash on hand. Sequestering funds will not apply to us this year it will impact us next year. We are keeping an eye on this to see what it means to us in detail.

# III. BVP Charter Renewal Update

## **Charter Renewal Update and Scheduling**

K. Crowe has assembled over four thousand documents together for this our charter renewal visit next

week. She has also helped prepare staff and staff for what will be the most important meeting we have to see if we will be approved for five more years.

# IV. Facilities Update

## **Short & Long Term Facilty Planning**

J. Chiappetta explained that we plan to move the network team out of ES2 and improvements to Broad Street. We are still looking at a long term lease at Lincoln and at various permanent MS possibilities.

# V. Fundraising

### June 22 5K Race

J. Chiappetta reminded everyone about the 5K race in June and invited them to join.

# **Grant Applications**

J. Chiappetta told everyone we received a a ten thousand dollar check from the RI Foundation for the highschool. We have also been asked to apply for another grant from the Nellie Mae Foundation for suport for the high school.

## VI. Public Comment

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L. McEwen stated that the high school will not look like a typical no excuse model; instead BVP will follow an intentionally diverse model.

## VII. Executive Session

### **Go Into Executive Session**

J. Casimiro made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the potential acquisition or lease of real estate pursuant to R.I. Gen. L. § 42-46-5(a)(5).

K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Diossa Nay: None.

## VIII. Executive Session - Facilities

# Acquisition or lease of real estate – R.I. Gen. L. § 42-46-5(a)(5)

K. Vaudreuil made a motion to leave executive session.

J. Casimiro seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Diossa Nay: None.

J. Casimiro made a motion to seal the minutes.

K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Diossa Nay: None.

# IX. Closing Items

# **Adjourn Meeting**

K. Vaudreuil made a motion to Adjourn meeting.

J. Casimiro seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Diossa Nay: None.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 06:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, S. Cuello